

**CHAPTER NO. 15**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1957**

**By Representative Newton**

**Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1924**

**By Senator Elsea**

AN ACT relative to the authority of the County Clerk of Meigs County to issue business licenses.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Prior to the issuance of any new business license, the county clerk of Meigs County shall require evidence that the location of the applicant's business is in compliance with county zoning ordinances.

The county clerk may accept a statement of compliance signed by a planning or zoning officer of the county or municipality, that the location of the applicant's business is in conformity with the county or municipality's zoning requirements, respectively.

The county clerk shall verify the physical location of any applicant for a business license having a postal service box address.

In any actions relative to the enforcement of provisions of a zoning ordinance by an enforcement officer, the issuance of such business license by the county clerk shall not be construed as evidence of compliance with zoning requirements in such actions.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the County Legislative Body of Meigs County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the County Legislative Body of Meigs County and certified to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective upon being approved as provided in Section 2.

PASSED: March 15, 2001

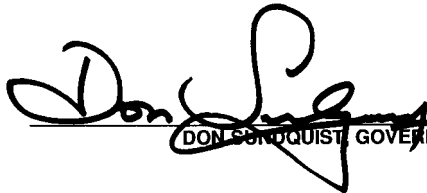


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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2001



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